IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
LYNN TILTON	:	Examiner: Unassigned
Appln. No.: Not Yet Assigned (A continuation of 10/053,925, filed January 18, 2002	;) ;	Group Art Unit: Unassigned
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For: METHOD OF SECURING A PORTFOLIO OF AT LEAST 30% DISTRESSED COMMERCIAL LOANS) . :) .	July 18, 2003

MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION Commissioner for Patents P.O. BOX 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows: